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TROIKA VISIT

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Polchief discussed reftel points December 3 with Bruno Bilek, MFA Deputy Director for East Asia and the Pacific. Bilek said the GOA fully shares USG views regarding the human rights situation in Burma and the 2010 elections. He said EU leaders agreed on December 1 to seek a Troika meeting with representatives of the Burmese regime and (separately) with Aung San Suu Kyi. A Troika visit to Burma, if accepted by the Burmese regime, would be designed to lay the groundwork for a follow-on visit at a higher level, possibly the Foreign Minister or Deputy Foreign Minister level, he said. Ideally, a follow-on meeting would include Senior General Than Shwe, he said.
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